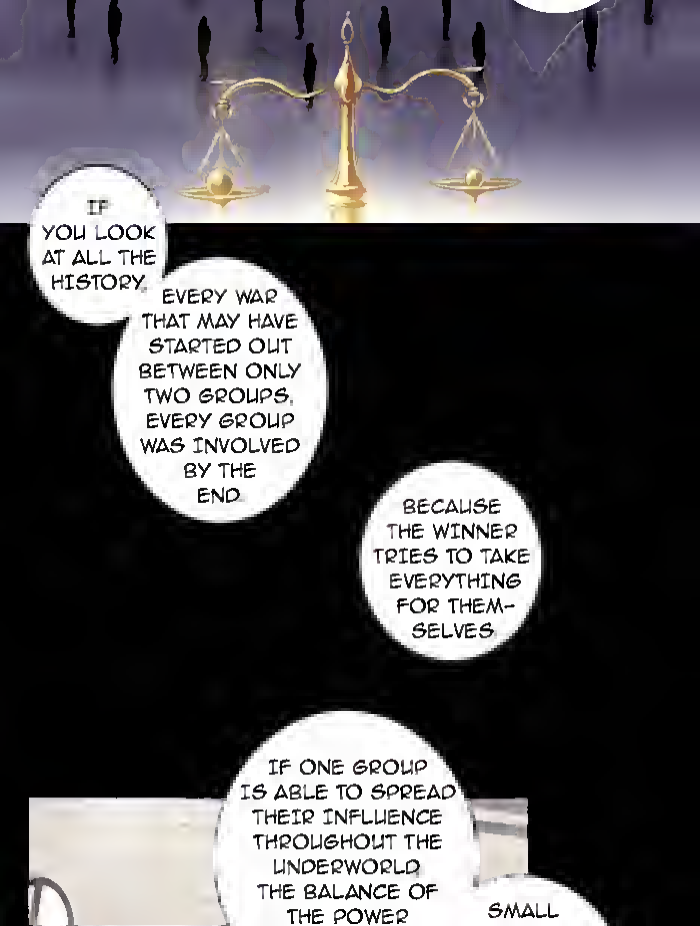
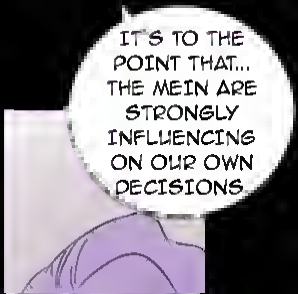
BECAUSE CIOLE KNOWS THIS FACT AS WELL... SHE CAME HERE TO SEE ME DIRECTLY.


IF YOU LOOK AT ALL THE HISTORY,
EVERY WAR THAT MAY HAVE STARTED OUT BETWEEN ONLY TWO GROUPS, EVERY GROUP WAS INVOLVED BY THE END.
BECAUSE THE WINNER TRIES TO TAKE EVERYTHING FOR THEM-SELVES.
IF ONE GROUP IS ABLE TO SPREAD THEIR INFLUENCE THROUGHOUT THE UNDERWORLD THE BALANCE OF THE POWER
SMALL

THE MEIN WILL ENTRUST YOU WITH DELIVERING US THE MAIN POTIONS TO US
I WILL HELP YOU WITH EVERYTHING I CAN AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NESK COMPANY
MS. RISELLA.

AREN'T YOU GOING, MASTER?
TODAY IS THE DAY OF THE WITCH MEETING.
I KNOW.
BECAUSE THERE ARE SO FEW TOP WITCHES AROUND THEY JUST PICKED SEVERAL RANDOM WITCHES TO BE A PART OF THE COMMITTEE..
YAWN~
EVEN THOUGH I HAVE A SEAT ON THE COMMITTEE... I'VE NEVER BEEN TO A MEETING.

AS OUR RELIANCE ON THEIR HELP HAS GROWN... THEIR INFLUENCE IN THE UNDERWORLD HAS BEEN INCREASING
NOW WE'RE IN THE POSITION OF HAVING TO CONSTANTLY BE WARY OF THE MEINS


IT'S TO THE POINT THAT... THE MEIN ARE STRONGLY INFLUENCING ON OUR OWN DECISIONS

I'M SURE THAT THERE'S A BOOK SOMEWHERE IN THERE WITH A SPELL TO REVIVE MY MOM
I... REALLY WANT TO FIND THAT BOOK

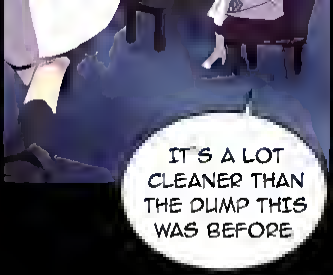
THIS AGENDA IS BEING PUSHED BY RISELLA
RISELLA?!

SHE'S OUR FRIEND WHO'S BEEN CALLED A GENIUS EVER SINCE WE WERE LITTLE
SHE'S LIKE A REPRESENTATIVE OF PRO-MEIN INFLUENCE

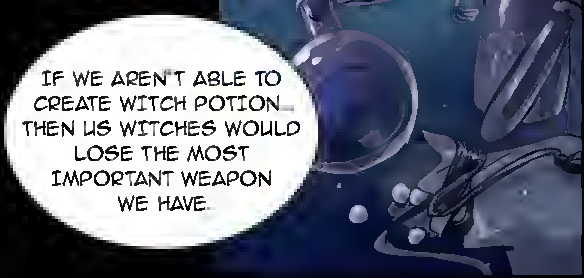
MASTER...
THE REASON I DON'T GO TO THE MEETINGS IS BECAUSE I CAN'T GO.
MY ROLE AS THE LIBRARIAN IS TO PROTECT THE LIBRARY AND ITS BOOKS AT ALL TIMES.
I'VE AVOIDED ANY DISTRACTIONS UP TILL NOW.
EVERY LIBRARIAN BEFORE ME, HAS NEVER ATTENDED ANY EVENTS INCLUDING WITCH MEETINGS.

MASTER, PLEASE HAVE SOME SNACKS-
WOBBLE
THANKS. I HOPE THEY'RE NOT COOKIES AGAIN.
...THESE ARE THE ONLY THINGS I KNOW HOW TO MAKE.

YEARS.
IT WAS A CHOICE WE HAD TO MAKE
BUT BECAUSE OF THAT, OUR RELIANCE ON THE MEINS HAVE BEEN STEADILY INCREASING OVER THE YEARS.
BECAUSE OUR TRADE WITH THEM HAVE INCREASED OVER THREE HUNDRED PERCENT.
CLACK
THANK YOU, IRENE


IT'S A LOT CLEANER THAN THE DUMP THIS WAS BEFORE

DID YOU COME TO TEASE ME?
JUST SAY WHAT YOU CAME FOR.


IF WE AREN'T ABLE TO CREATE WITCH POTION... THEN US WITCHES WOULD LOSE THE MOST IMPORTANT WEAPON WE HAVE.

SO THE CHOICE WE MADE WAS THAT...
A DEAL WITH THE MEINS.
THE DEAL WAS THAT THE MEIN WOULD PROVIDE US WITH MONEY AND INGREDIENTS. AND IN RETURN WOULD GIVE TEN PERCENT OF OUR POTIONS TO THEM
IT'S ALREADY BEEN A HUNDRED

LINE Webtoon

TAP
I'LL TEACH YOU HOW TO TELL WHICH BOOKS ARE SAFE. SO DON'T GO AROUND OPENING EVERY BOOK YOU SEE
AND COME ASK ME IF YOU'RE NOT SURE ABOUT IT

...

I'LL LEAVE EVERYTHING IN YOUR HANDS, MISS WITCH

WILL START TO RUIN...
FAMILIES LIKE US WILL EITHER BE EXTERMINATED OR BECOME THE VICTOR'S SLAVES
IN ORDER TO PREVENT THAT FROM EVER HAPPENING... WE HAD TO STEP UP OURSELVES
ALLY WITH OTHER SMALL FAMILIES AND TRY TO DEFEAT THE BIGGER, STRONGER ONES. WE'VE LOST MANY LIVES FIGHTING POINTLESS WARS LIKE THAT
THAT IS HOW OUR FRIENDS, OUR ALLIES, HAVE ALL BECAME VICTIMS.

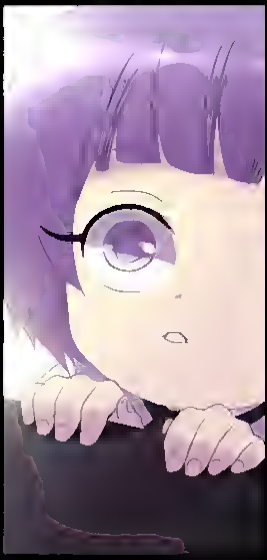
I'M SURE THIS NEXT VOTE WILL BE...
SPLIT AMONGST US BETWEEN
RISELLA AND THE ALLIANCE WITH THE MEINS...
AND ME AND THE ALLIANCE WITH THE ANGELS

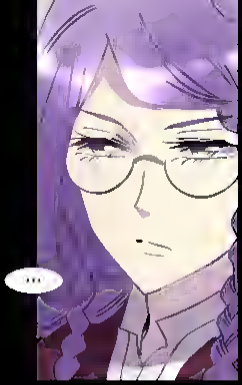
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE COOKIES USING YOUR MAGIC ONE DAY.
FOR NOW, YOU SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON THE WIND MAGIC THAT YOU'RE GOOD AT.
YES, MA'AM.

WELCOME,
MS. CIOLE.

RISKING YOUR LIFE TO GAIN A NEW LIFE.
JUST AS YOUR MOTHER AND MY MENTOR, DID AS WELL...

THAT IS
MY DREAM.

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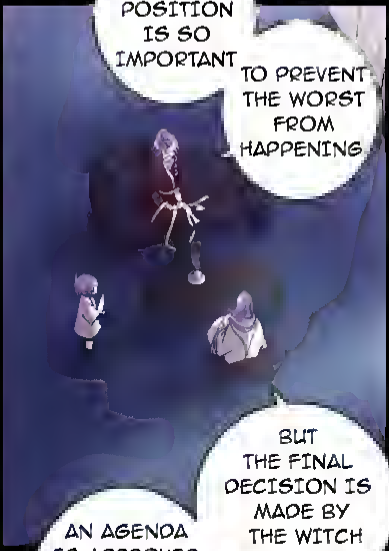
THAT'S WHY YOUR POSITION IS SO IMPORTANT
TO PREVENT THE WORST FROM HAPPENING
BUT THE FINAL DECISION IS MADE BY THE WITCH COMMITTEE
AN AGENDA IS APPROVED WITH A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE THIRTEEN MEMBERS
THE PROBLEM IS THE NEXT MEETING.

INEA,
I'M SURE
YOU KNOW
BUT...
IT'S BEEN REALLY
HARD TO FIND
THE INGREDIENTS
FOR WITCH POTION
IN THE LAST
HUNDRED YEARS.
WE WERE ALMOST
OUT OF EVERYTHING.
EVEN OUR RESERVES WERE
ALMOST OUT. IT WAS
A BIG PROBLEM.

HAVE YOU BEEN WELL, IRENE?
HAVE YOU MADE PROGRESS ON YOUR MAGIC?
I'M PRACTICING EVERY DAY!
OH, REALLY?
I'LL GO GRAB SOME TEA.
CIOLE, A PERSON BUSY ENOUGH FOR TWO PEOPLE...
FOR WHAT MATTERS DID YOU COME ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THIS DIRTY HOLE

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WHAT'S THE MATTER?
...IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE ALWAYS SITTING THERE WORRYING ABOUT SOMETHING
IT'S JUST MY RESEARCH
YOUR RESEARCH?
YES. ALL THE TOP WITCHES RESEARCH VARIOUS THINGS

THERE YOU ARE,
LITTLE ONE

CRUNCH

...IT'S SALTY.
AHHH!! I FAILED AGAIN~!

IT'S OKAY. I'LL JUST MAKE MY OWN COOKIES.
WHROONG

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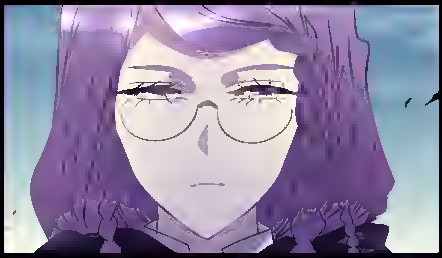
AS IT IS THIS TIME
SLICK



WITCHES ARE THE SPECIAL CLAN THAT CONSISTS OF ONLY FEMALES

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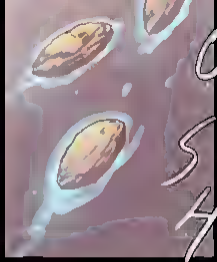
SOUL CARTEL
To be continued

JUST ONCE IN A HUNDRED YEARS, ON THE DARKEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR... A WITCH USES UP HER MAGIC TO SACRIFICE A PART OF HER OWN LIFE TO CREATE A NEW LIFE.
IT'S A VERY DANGEROUS SPELL BECAUSE YOU WILL USE UP ALL YOUR LIFE AND DIE IF YOU FAIL
THREE OUT OF TEN WITCHES LOSE THEIR LIVES... IT'S A SACRIFICE THAT RISKS YOUR LIFE
THE REASON WHY THERE ARE SO FEW WITCHES...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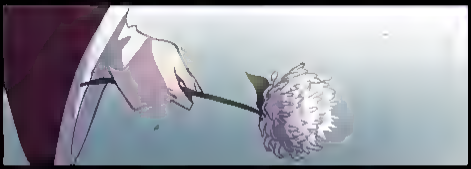
WOW~! CLANK

BASIC DISHES CAN BE MADE BY COOKING MAGIC
ALTHOUGH THEY'RE NOT AS GOOD AS HANDMADE ONES, BUT THEY'RE NOT SO BAD
THEY'RE DELICIOUS~!
CRUNCH
CRUNCH
CRUNCH

SHE HAS A STRONG VOICE IN MATTERS DUE TO HER STRONG FOLLOWING
UNLIKE THEM...
I'M ON THE PRO-ANGEL SIDE
WHO OPPOSES THE MEINS GETTING STRONGER

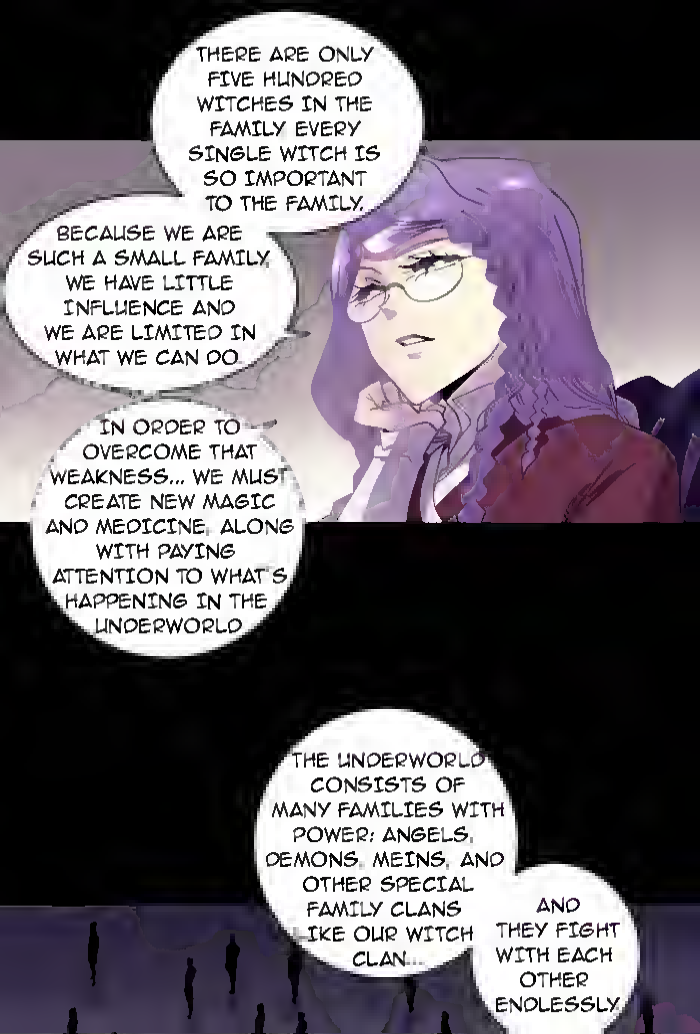


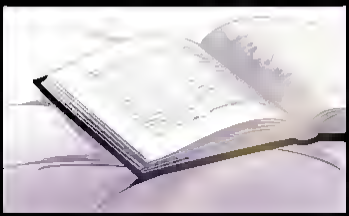
MY SENIOR
I HAD A DEEP FRIENDSHIP WITH HER SINCE SHE WAS RIGHT ABOVE ME
YOU KNOW MY MOM?

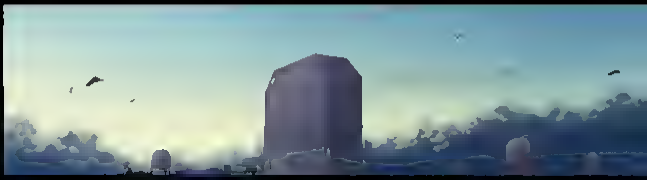
...YES, MA'AM!

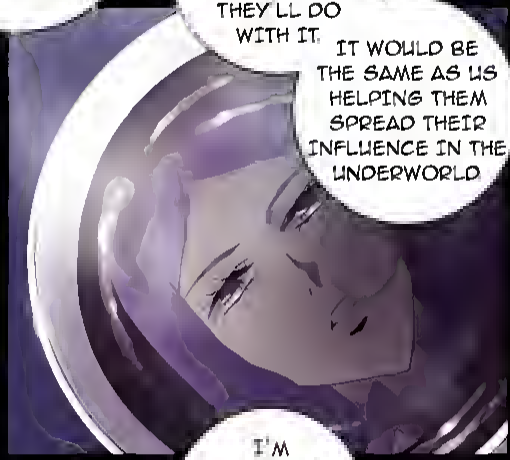
AND CAN YOU PLEASE STOP MESSING AROUND WITH MY DESK? I HAVE TO SCAVENGE AROUND EVERYDAY BECAUSE YOU KEEP CLEANING IT UP!

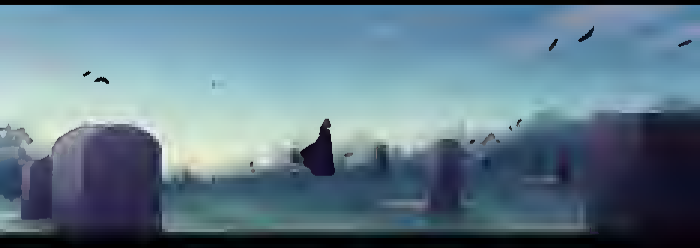
SORRY, I'LL STOP DOING THAT!


THERE ARE ONLY FIVE HUNDRED WITCHES IN THE FAMILY EVERY SINGLE WITCH IS SO IMPORTANT TO THE FAMILY.
BECAUSE WE ARE SUCH A SMALL FAMILY, WE HAVE LITTLE INFLUENCE AND WE ARE LIMITED IN WHAT WE CAN DO.
IN ORDER TO OVERCOME THAT WEAKNESS... WE MUST CREATE NEW MAGIC AND MEDICINE, ALONG WITH PAYING ATTENTION TO WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE UNDERWORLD
THE UNDERWORLD CONSISTS OF MANY FAMILIES WITH POWER: ANGELS, DEMONS, MEINS, AND OTHER SPECIAL FAMILY CLANS LIKE OUR WITCH CLAN...
AND THEY FIGHT WITH EACH OTHER ENDLESSLY.






IF THAT AGENDA IS APPROVED THEN THE MEIN WILL HAVE OUR CORE MAGIC
IF THEY ABUSE THESE POTIONS... THEN THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT THEY'LL DO WITH IT
IT WOULD BE THE SAME AS US HELPING THEM SPREAD THEIR INFLUENCE IN THE UNDERWORLD
I'M SURE THEY'LL INFLUENCE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AS WELL
WORST CASE SCENARIO, OUR ALLIANCE WITH THE ANGELS WOULD BE DESTROYED

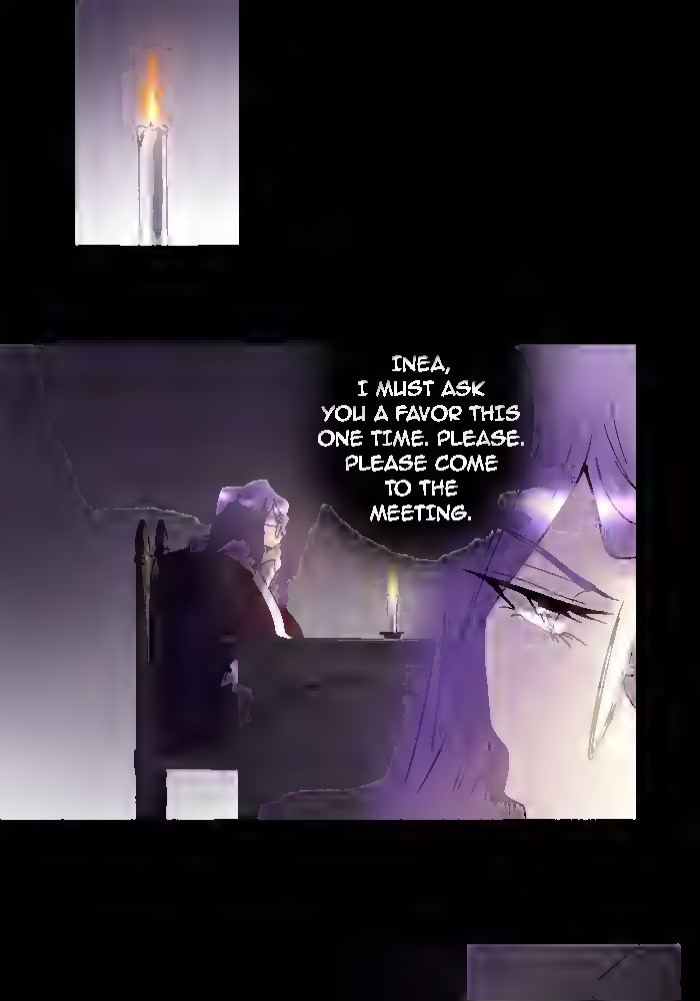


I WANT TO RESURRECT HER

I'VE HEARD THAT THERE ARE MANY BOOKS IN THE WITCH LIBRARY THAT CONTAIN SECRET SPELLS

I'M ALSO HERE FOR BUSINESS.

THE WITCH POTIONS THAT ARE BANNED.
THERE S AN AGENDA THAT WE DISTRIBUTE THEM TO THE MEINS.
WHICH POTIONS
TEN OF THEM
AMONGST THEM. THERE ARE ALSO INVISIBLE. AND TRANSFORMATION POTIONS... THEY'VE ALWAYS WANTED THESE.

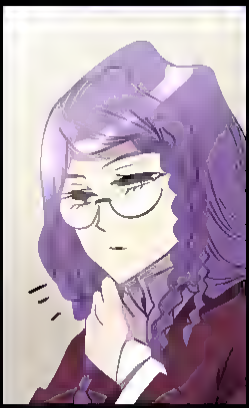

INEA,
I MUST ASK
YOU A FAVOR THIS
ONE TIME. PLEASE.
PLEASE COME
TO THE
MEETING.

PANIC!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO RUN AWAY.
HALT

YES, MA'AM.

HOWEVER, IF BY SOME CHANCE, WE ARE ABLE TO COMPLETELY PROTECT OURSELVES, THEN WHAT WOULD HAPPEN?
THEN WE WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEIR WARS.
WE WON'T BE PULLED INTO THEIR POINTLESS WARS.
THE POWER TO PROTECT THE WITCH FAMILY.



I BELIEVE THAT A POWER LIKE THAT EXISTS.
THERE ARE SOME OTHER WITCHES LIKE ME WHO ARE RESEARCHING THE SAME THINGS.
AND THERE ARE SO MANY BOOKS IN THE WITCH LIBRARY THAT HAVE YET TO BE DISCOVERED.
THERE ARE PARTS OF THE BASEMENT LEVEL THAT EVEN I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO NAVIGATE THROUGH YET.
I'M SURE THE BOOKS I HAVEN'T SEEN YET WILL HOLD THE ANSWERS TO MY RESEARCH.
IT MAY BE DANGEROUS, BUT... IN ORDER TO PROTECT EVERYONE... I MUST FIND THAT POWER NO MATTER WHAT.